the infection of calling that I have come down from her sick room just for a few words of conversation; visible ones I mean for there is not an end to those mental ones which I wish some kind fairy would make it her especial mission to bear across the Atlantic - indeed I have so strong a faith in those "good people" that I am sure they have been telling you how much and often dear Mary and myself have been reminded we have been thinking and talking of you - Boston has been present with us, and you and Boston one one, not the slave clothing part of it but a portion of its real throbbing heart to which we look for life and hope - How truly we mourn with you over your fallen degraded city yet we have ten righteous left within it and I believe God will be with that faithful band to bring light out of darkness, darkness which is felt even on this side of the Atlantic but alas! only by a few. It is but a still small voice in comparison with what should be heard throughout our own free land - and how mournfully I feel in having to add that the Americans rank themselves among those who would willingly silence it, at least the greatest

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number of them but they will have told you of the struggles we are going through and you will see the Report of the Meeting at Bridgewater in the Inquirer a copy of which is going to Mrs Gray today. That Meeting made us realize the coming out from the Churches, more than all written words could have done. Our sorrow as compared with yours is but the last raindrops of the storm, still they fall heavily upon us but I have that strong faith in our righteous cause that I do not believe any true workers here or with you will be utterly discouraged though for a season they may be cast down.

But let me turn to the traits a more interesting subject than my speculations. The more we see of them in home life, the greater is our interest in them. There is such simple good taste and propriety in their conduct that they are fit for any society. People say wonderingly how can they have learnt all this? I feel that they have spent their lives in dwelling on a great object the wrongs the cause of slavery. nothing trivial can mix with that, and hence they alone can take their stand with those who may well blush to think how little they have used the advantages they have had. It is the most touching thing to hear Ellen talking in her low tones of deep feeling of the events of her own life, of her poor mother, and of her oppressed race: much as we have read of the horrors of slavery nothing

has come to truly home to our hearts, as the his-
tory she unfolds almost unknown to herself un-
fur daily converse with us her conversation is
clear distinct always to the points, and no
trace of over coloring- considering the wrongs of her
people it seems astonishing that she and her gen-
tle husband should show the forbearance they do
yet they never shrink from replying to the most
searching questions- They are quite like the family
in this house, indeed Ellen calls it "coming home"
when she returns to it and it is pleasant to hear
her unmusical song and light step of happiness
as she moves about it, when on the stairs one
day I heard her singing, "I shall not be a slave
any more" springing forward at the same time
with a sense of new born freedom- They win golden
en opinions from every one interested in the cause
here- some among them feel a little alarmed for
Ellen thinking that she will be made vain, or
above her condition in life- Oh! she replies how
can they think that one who is only so lately allowed
to feel herself a woman, to know that she is no
longer considered merely as a thing, can be set up
by being treated as a fellow creature, you cannot
tell she adds mournfully the deep humiliation I
feel when comparing myself with you- When any
one attempts to palliate slavery, or to pity
the slave holders which is occasionally the fashion
here, her indignation is noble, and the
quickness and force of her replies admirable. Pri-
vately as well as publicly they are doing good

anti slavery work here. One afternoon whilst the
were with us many invited about 50 people to co
and spend two or three hours with them - amongst
these the greatest number were Friends who she hop
would be warmed by conversing with them, and
so they were. I wish you could have seen them a
the midst of these guests, and frequently do I se
Ellen's oft repeated wish - "oh how I should lik
my old Waterford could see me now" - One lady
"Plymouth sister" said that "the brethren thought
when a slave was converted he or she would the
it their duty to return to their master" - What do y
mean? said Ellen not comprehending the allusion
to the good lady explained that they would con
sider it their duty - Then exclaimed Ellen "I hop
I shall never be converted" - and I dont think s
will - It is beautiful to hear them speak of the
germ of religious feeling which lives within the
hearts though the bible may be truly said to
be a "sealed book" to them - sinnit is used to
sanction the wickedness which keeps them in
bondage - it is disgusting to hear them relate the
in which its holy precepts are quoted to them to
reconcile them to the abomination of slavery -
happily light seems given them to know that
these are the interpretations of men, and not the
words of God - William Craft's conversation on the
subject is very interesting I wish I could recall
words for they touched us deeply but space and
time are wanting - You must forgive the haste
with which I have written, more than half the

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